

## **DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks US. Patent and Trademark Office

Attn: Security Group, Licensing & Review

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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This is to notify you, on behalf of the agency who caused the Secrecy Order to be issued on the below-identified patent application, that an affirmative determination has been made, on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy, that the national interest requires that the invention continue to be kept secret and that the grant of a patent continue to be withheld.

Serial No.:

07/926,116

Filed:

08/07/1992

Inventor:

PAUL M. DUNN

Title:

CLOSED CYCLE BRYTON PROPULSION SYSTEM WITH

DIRECT HEAT TRANSFER

Prosecuted by: (X) Govt

ovt () Contractor

( ) Unknown

(Navy Case 71843)

The current secrecy order expiration date is 02/14/2001.

Accordingly, it is recommended that the Secrecy Order be renewed.

Sincerely,

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By direction of

Chief of Naval Research